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	AF*	US-6,017,157	01-25-2000	Garfinkle et al.	
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	AD1*	US-5,492,31	11-05-1895	Crane	
	AE1*	US-1,160,037	11-09-1915	Brewer	
	AF1*	US-1,260,280	03-19-1918	Avram	
	AG1*	US-1,312,052	08-05-1919	Sartorius et al.	
	AH1*	US-1,572,252	02-09-1926	Tessier	
AI1*	US-1,997,333	04-09-1935	Hultquist et al.		
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	AL2*	US-4,384,774	05-24-1983	Tuck	
	AM2*	US-4,384,779	05-24-1983	Shono et al.	
	AN2*	US-4,396,164	08-02-1983	Maeda et al.	
	AO2*	US-4,401,376	08-30-1983	Pomazi	
	AP2*	US-4,416,525	11-22-1983	Chan et al.	
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	AR2*	US-4,418,141	11-29-1983	Kawaguchi et al.	
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	AE3*	US-4,603,966	08-05-1986	Brownstein	
	AF3*	US-4,608,595	08-26-1986	Nakayama et al.	
	AG3*	US-4,639,111	01-27-1987	Harvey	
	AH3*	US-4,641,197	02-03-1987	Miyagi et al.	
	AI3*	US-4,642,700	02-10-1987	Ohta et al.	
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	AP3*	US-4,689,696	08-25-1987	Plummer	
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	AU3*	US-4,703,366	10-27-1987	Kobori et al.	
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	AL4*	US-4,812,871	03-14-1989	Taniguchi et al.	
	AM4*	US-4,827,347	05/1989	Bell	
	AN4*	US-4,829,386	05-09-1989	Takei et al.	
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	AJ7*	US-5,151,726	09-29-1992	Iwashita et al.	
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